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L. G. GROVES, Editor and Proprietor.

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 1923.

LARGELY LOCAL.

Good crops in sight, as usual. There'll be water next season, after all.

Farmington is talking of a national bank.

C. E. Mead went to Durango yesterday, returning today or tomorrow.

Mrs. Ellsworth Wise was over from Largo this week, visiting in Aztec.

The mecca of the eastern farmers of moderate means just now is San Juan county.

Heavy snows are reported in the mountains and the job isn't quite finished, according to indications this a. m.

The Hyde Exploring Expedition will buy corn, wheat and oats at the mill and will pay cash for same.

Mrs. O. C. McEwen was in Aztec Thursday, returning to Farmington from a visit with her relatives at Cedar Hill.

W. E. Meyers, of Encampment, Wyo., was an arrival on Tuesday's stage and will visit at Farmington with his brother, Harry Meyers.

C. C. Pickney, the sheep inspector, was in town this week, returning from a trip to the Pine River and upper San Juan sections.

Wm. Carson, a former resident of San Juan county, came down from Durango this week to visit his many friends in this valley.

Fred Bunker will buy your corn and will pay you cash for it, delivered in Aztec. Bring in what you have and he will take it off your hands.

Barney Harman and Victor Brown, two of the Farmington hustlers, were in town Monday having a good time and attending to a little business on the side.

Several of the members of George Rathjen's family have been sick this week, and George has been compelled to remain away from the store to help care for them.

Dr. E. G. Condit returned yesterday from an absence of six weeks in Denver. He reports severe weather during the latter part of his visit in the Colorado metropolis.

Frank Heather of the La Plata was in town Saturday last. He and Roy Stewart have together purchased the bunch of cattle formerly owned by J. T. Hobbs of the La Plata.

Dr. West was called to Farmington one day last week in consultation with Dr. Rosenthal in the case of Mrs. R. H. Wood, of that place, who is seriously ill. She is reported better this week.

G. W. McCoy has been conducting the hardware store for George Rathjen for several days and he fills the bill. William is all right as a ranchman, a fruit grower, a sheepowner or a storekeeper.

Boone Vaughn, Wesley Phelps and C. V. Wallace made coal shingles last week each on 100 acres of coal land, situated in sections 17, 18, 19 and 20, township 29, range 12, lying on the San Juan river.

Cooper & Dustin have purchased an interest in the store of F. M. Pierce at Farmington and will operate extensively in the merchandise line under the name of the Pierce Mercantile company. It is a strong combination.

The basket social to be given by the ladies of Aztec at the new Blacksmith hall next Tuesday night at the conclusion of the literary meeting, promises to be a good success. All are invited and a large crowd is expected.

Dr. J. L. Eblen, formerly of Alton, Mo., has located in Aztec for the practice of his profession. Dr. Eblen comes well recommended and has made a favorable impression. His office is at the Cottage Home hotel. See his professional card in this issue.

The Grand Army folks have installation of officers and a dinner in Aztec next Tuesday, February 6th. The dinner is a basket dinner and is for the Grand Army people and their friends. Those who have no pork and beans to bring will come with baskets filled with roast turkey, as the veterans care but little just so it's "grab."

There are raccoons in San Juan county, just the same as they have in Missouri and Arkansas. Many specimens of the family have been killed in Pine River country, and last week George Tinker's boys went out into the hills at Cedar Hill and brought back a fat, 30 pound varmint, showing that in this line, as in everything else, the produce of San Juan county does nothing but take first place.

The Pagosa Springs News says: "The state of Colorado against P. C. Games for the killing of Seiffy Stevens came up before the district court last Tuesday morning. It only took the court and jury about 30 minutes to reach a verdict of not guilty. When Unstable Games killed Seiffy Stevens he did not set that all good citizens of Archuleta county should be proud of for Seiffy certainly had a bad record."

There are many good ditch enterprises awaiting the right man and the proper methods in this country, and the extension of the Hart-Kilco or even the Astec town ditch to cover the fertile land lying in this valley and in close proximity to the town of Aztec, is not the least of them. This is a chance for one of energy who have teams and a little cash to devote to the purpose.

Santa Rosa is the new town in Guadalupe county on the Rock Island railroad at the crossing of the Pecos river. It now has fifteen saloons, nine restaurants, eight stores, two lumber yards, two meat markets, two livery stables, three doctors, four lawyers, three hotels, two barber shops, one bank and another coming, two churches, two drug stores, two newspapers, two surveyors, two land agents, one blacksmith, a school house, three bakeries, one tailor, one jewelry store and two laundries.

The first express's horse freighter, George Dinkler, and M. Kachmann, came down from Graham's mill this week with a big invoice of lumber bound for the company's new building at Farmington. Each man was driving four and unloading some hard work on the trip. Snow and ice on the grades out of Durango made the roads slippery and they had to chain the wheels to keep the wagons in the road. Above Aztec one of the wagons broke through the bridge across the town ditch and it was some time before the carmen could again take up the journey.

F. M. Harrison, of O'Neill, Neb. county, Nebraska, spent several days here this week, arriving direct from his Nebraska home. After investigating the situation, he decided that an investment in San Juan county really offered good chances of return, and accordingly purchased one of the best ranches on the La Plata river - the place formerly owned by J. T. Allen, lately the property of D. A. Lewis. The tract contains 100 acres and with the improvements which Mr. Harrison expects to make on it will be a handsome farm one of these days. Mr. Harrison has returned to Nebraska, and will be here again some time in the spring. He is of the class of settlers whom we are glad to welcome. The sale was made through Judge Grayville Pendleton.

There are a lot of 2nd statesmen in this county who are too good to patronize THE INDEX, but who nevertheless sneak around or send over to their neighbors to borrow it regularly week after week, year in and year out. These statesmen have convinced themselves that they are some pumpkins. They think it there is anything doing, they'll do it. They imagine that the world turns on its axis so smoothly just in imitation of their smooth, oily tricks. But they poke off and borrow this paper each week and will do so to the end of the chapter. Why? Because they know - they don't think this time - that when the hour and the day and the date arrive to start things, this paper will be there with the goods. It isn't their money we want, though, that we make this statement. We would like to have them on our list of subscribers, but THE INDEX was here as early as any of them and before some of them, and it will be here when their grand children are grown and with more judgment than their ancestors, are enrolled as its staunchest patrons. We are the official paper of the county again, this year.

Strayed or Stolen.

One bay stallion colt, no brand, aged two years the 20th of next March. Shows good blood and is a half-brother of Silver Dick. Shows a little white on left hind foot, next to the hoof. The undersigned will pay \$25 reward for return of animal or to any one taking up the animal and sending me notice of same.

A. M. HUBBARD,
Aztec, New Mexico.

Attention, G. A. H.

There will be a meeting of Aztec Post No. 10, Dept. of New Mexico, G. A. R., held at Aztec on Tuesday, February 4, 1923. Colorades, bring a well filled basket of pork, beans, etc. Plenty of hot coffee will be served at the hall.

G. S. ROYD, Adjutant.
W. B. WILLIAMS, Post Commander.

Notice to Stockmen.

Stockowners or other parties in the county who are intending driving cattle out of the territory, are requested to notify me at Aztec in advance to date of removal, so that this stock may be inspected. Those driving out without inspection are subject to prosecution.

E. R. STEWART, Inspector.

Notice.

I will sell at private sale all the effects of the late Wm. L. Ray, deceased, consisting of one horse, one buggy, fifty stands of beef and a number of other articles. All can be seen at my farm, 7 1/2 miles west of Aztec.

FRANK WERN, Administrator.

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